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Hon. P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re: U.S. et al. ex rel Gurin v. NYC Health & Hospitals Corp. et al, No. 19-cv-10742

Dear Judge Castel:

We represent Relator William Gurin in the above-captioned action brought under the *qui* tam provision of the federal False Claims Act and New York False Claims Act. We write, together with Defendants, to respectfully request that this Court extend the deadline for Defendants to answer, move, or otherwise respond to the complaint to April 19, 2021.

By stipulation dated December 16, 2020 (ECF no. 14), the Defendants agreed to accept service and that they would answer, move, or otherwise respond to the complaint by February 18, 2021. This is the first request for an extension of that time. Both Relator and Defendants consent to this request.

Thank you for Your Honor's consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Agatha M. Cole Agatha M. Cole